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The following is a complete listing of all claims in the application, with an indication of the status of each:

**Listing of claims:**

- 1        1. (currently amended) A method for developing intellectual property (IP)  
2        assets, comprising the steps of:  
3                collecting one or more IP assets in accordance with a characterization,  
4        said characterization being features of interest to potential investors;  
5                determining ~~a~~ an initial market value for the collection in accordance  
6        with a plurality of uses for the assets so characterized;  
7                holding the collection in an investment trust (IT);  
8                executing an on-line auction of shares in said IT, wherein each of a  
9        plurality of investors contribute in return for a share of said IT, an opening bid  
10       in said auction for said shares being in proportion to said determined initial  
11       market value;  
12               exploiting the collection, using said contributions to make markets for  
13       said plurality of uses and obtain revenue therefrom, and distributing profits to  
14       said investors.
- 1       2. (original) A method as in claim 1, wherein said characterization is that  
2       each of said IP assets involves the same area of technology.
- 1       3. (original) A method as in claim 1, wherein said characterization is that  
2       each of said IP assets have uses in the same markets for application.
- 1       4. (original) A method as in claim 1, wherein said characterization is that  
2       each of said IP assets involve the same area of social concern.

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1        5. (original) A method as in claim 1, wherein said characterization is that  
2        each of said IP assets would benefit from the same technology breakthrough.

1        6. (currently amended) A method as in claim 1, wherein said determining  
2        step further comprises the steps of:  
3                describing one of said IP assets in said collection;  
4                valuing the other IP assets in said collection;  
5                auctioning ownership of part or all of said one of said IP assets, a  
6        resulting auction price being included in the determined initial market value.

1        7. (original) A method as in claim 6, wherein the valuation of the other IP  
2        assets is based upon the present value of the holder of rights to the assets.

1        8. (original) A method as in claim 6, wherein the valuation of the other IP  
2        assets is based upon the estimate of the revenue to be generated during the life  
3        of the assets.

1        9. (original) A method as in claim 6, wherein the valuation of the other IP  
2        assets is based upon a successful auction price paid for them.

1        10. (original) A method as in claim 9, wherein an opening bid in said auction  
2        is based on the current market price of a collection of stocks in companies  
3        which utilize intellectual property similar to that in the collection.

1        11. (Currently Amended) A system for developing intellectual property (IP)  
2        assets, comprising:

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3 means for collecting one or more IP assets in accordance with a  
4 characterization, said characterization being features of interest to potential  
5 investors;

6 means for determining ~~a~~ an initial market value for the collection in  
7 accordance with a plurality of uses for the assets so characterized;

8 means for holding the collection in an investment trust (IT);

9 means for executing an on-line auction of shares in said IT, wherein  
10 each of a plurality of investors contribute in return for a share of said IT, an  
11 opening bid in said auction for said shares being in proportion to said  
12 determined initial market value;

13 means for exploiting the collection, using said contributions to make  
14 markets for said plurality of uses and obtain revenue therefrom, and  
15 distributing profits to said investors.

1 12. (original) A system as in claim 11, wherein said characterization is that  
2 each of said IP assets involves the same area of technology.

1 13. (original) A system as in claim 11, wherein said characterization is that  
2 each of said IP assets have uses in the same markets for application.

1 14. (original) A system as in claim 11, wherein said characterization is that  
2 each of said IP assets involve the same area of social concern.

1 15. (original) A system as in claim 11, wherein said characterization is that  
2 each of said IP assets would benefit from the same technology breakthrough.

1 16. (currently amended) A system as in claim 11, wherein said determining  
2 means further comprise:

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3 means for describing one of said IP assets in said collection;  
4 means for valuing the other IP assets in said collection;  
5 means for auctioning ownership of part or all of said one of said IP  
6 assets, a resulting auction price being included in the determined initial market  
7 value.

1 17. (original) A system as in claim 16, wherein the valuation of the other IP  
2 assets is based upon the present value of the holder of rights to the assets.

1 18. (original) A system as in claim 16, wherein the valuation of the other IP  
2 assets is based upon the estimate of the revenue to be generated during the life  
3 of the assets.

1 19. (original) A system as in claim 16, wherein the valuation of the other IP  
2 assets is based upon a successful auction price paid for them.

1 20. (original) A system as in claim 19, wherein an opening bid in said  
2 auction is based on the current market price of a collection of stocks in  
3 companies which utilize intellectual property similar to that in the collection.